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RESPONSE TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION

This paper is in response to the Office Communication of February 10, 2003 (Paper 17). A Petition for One-Month Extension of Time and the required fee are enclosed. With the extension of time, this Response is due on April 10, 2003.

A copy of claims 1-23 as amended following the Amendment and Response of November 21, 2003 is attached in the section entitled ""Pending Claims.

No additional fee is believed to be due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-1133.